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## Letter from Alexander Melville Bell, Eliza Symonds Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, September 23, 1872, with transcript

Home, Monday, September 23rd, 72. (A. G. Bell, Esq., Miss Fisher's, 2, Bulfinch Place, Boston, Mass. U. S.) My dear Aleck,

Your registered letter arrived today, along with the one posted a day letter. Many thanks. I shall try to go on without further assistance. The tube is in the Custom House and I cannot get it till tomorrow. Unfortunately, nobody here remembered the birthday! Our congratulations therefore extended to a couple of days after the 20th. Many happy returns of the 20th, will be equally secured by our wishes for the 22nd. Your present to dear Mamma will be most welcome. I sincerely hope she may have the great comfort of an effective ear-tube in your kind gift. I shall be glad when your worry of room hunting is over, and hope you may be well suited with your choice. The terms for board you mention surely very low for Boston! You say \$6.00, do you not intend \$16.00? I enclose cutting from the Montreal "Witness", which arrived today. Annexed I copy "Epithalanium" I have sent to Mrs. Sanderson. Kind regards to Miss Fuller and the Bulfinches. Love from all.

Your affectionate father, Alex. Melville Bell.